**Funds to voluntary organisations**

1164. SHRI BISWAJIT DAIMARY: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry is providing funds to the voluntary organisations under the scheme of National Programme for Youth and Adolescent Development (NPYAD) by covering all the districts of State according to guideline framed by the Ministry or without covering entire district of the State; providing only in one or two districts to promote unemployed youth as the fund is earmarked to the whole State;

(b) if so, the details alongwith name of districts;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) the criteria for considering All India Level Voluntary Organisations;

(e) whether there are any norms beyond the guidelines; and

(f) if so, the norms therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. M.S. GILL): (a) to (c) Under the Scheme of NPYAD, the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports extends financial assistance to All India Organizations recognized by the Ministry as well as State Level Organizations like State Government Deptt./Directorates for Youth Affairs, Panchayati Raj Institutions and Urban Local Bodies, Educational Institutions including Polytechnics and Non Governmental Organizations etc. This Scheme is applicable to all States/UTs. There is no restriction in the Scheme to the effect that only one or two districts of a particular State should be extended assistance. As per the scheme, the applications of State Level Organizations are initially screened by the State Level Screening Committee and the State Government recommends eligible cases in order of priority to the Union Ministry.

(d) The criterion being adopted by the Government for considering an organization as an all India Organization is that the organization should have branches in more than four States and have been receiving financial assistance from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports in the past and the contribution of such organizations to the society should be outstanding.

(e) and (f) No, Sir. There are no such norms beyond the guidelines.

**Project for Commonwealth Games**

1165. SHRIMATI JAYA BACHCHAN:
SHRI N.K. SINGH:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has taken stock of the projects which are either unfinished or yet to take off for the Commonwealth Games and the time now left;

(b) if so, the details of these projects and steps taken to complete them timely;

(c) whether it is a fact that in totality Delhi still presents a bad picture so far as hygiene, road conditions and traffic jams are concerned; and

(d) the steps being taken to address all these problems?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. M.S. GILL): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Construction work of Competition venues and most of the Training venues is continuing apace. In addition to above, the work at the Games Village is also progressing apace, which will accommodate around 8000 athletes and officials. Infrastructure of Delhi is also being upgraded. Time Lines, against monitorable parameters are being monitored, on a web-based monitoring system developed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) To further improve the civic infrastructure of Delhi the Government of NCT of Delhi has prepared plans for giving an aesthetic look to Delhi before the Commonwealth Games, 2010 and related works have commenced. The plan includes street scaping of roads leading to various Sports Venues/Stadia; improvement of roads by strengthening, widening and resurfacing; change of street lights; signages etc. Comprehensive transport plans for each venue is being finalized to streamline flow of traffic on the roads of Delhi.

**Preparation for Commonwealth Games**

1166. SHRI SANJAY RAUT:
SHRI BHARATKUMAR RAUT:

Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the present status of the preparations for the Commonwealth Games, 2010 in Delhi, Project-wise;

(b) whether the work related to the construction/development of sports infrastructure projects for these Games is progressing as per schedule; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor and the steps taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (DR. M.S. GILL): (a) to (c) Construction work of Competition venues and most of the Training venues comprising JN Stadium; IG Stadium; Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium; SP Mukherjee Swimming Pool; Thyagaraj Sports Complex; Siri Fort Complex; Yamuna Sports Complex etc. is continuing apace. In addition to above, work at the Games Village is also progressing, which will accommodate around 8000 athletes and officials. Infrastructure of Delhi is also being upgraded. Time Lines, against monitorable parameters are being monitored, on a web-based monitoring system developed by the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. The work on the major stadia is progressing and is expected to be completed well in time for the Games.